Amana Society Bulletin

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AMANA CHURCH SOCIETY NEWS

The Early Service will be in the Middle Church Sunday, September 24, starting 8:30 A.M. with Sw. Emilie Hoppe presiding.

Opening Hymn: "Herr Jesus Christ, Dich zu uns wend" No. 387 Seite 384

Testimony: JF Rock, Schwabisch Hall, May 19, 1716

Scripture: John 1: 1 - 5
Psalm 19

Closing Hymn: "Ich ein Lied von dieser Zeit." No. 483 v 1-3 & 15-17 Seite 478

The Late Service will start at 10:00 A.M. with the following hymns:

Opening Hymn: "Follow Me the Saviour Calleth" No. 24

Closing Hymn: "This Song is for the Fleeting Days" No. 4

The Wednesday Evening Prayer (Nachtgebet) meeting will begin at 7:00 P.M. in Middle.

Visitors are welcome to join us in worship at all Amana Church Services. Childcare is available during Sunday's 10:00 A.M. Service.

BLOOD DRIVE

The Amana Library will host an ImpactLife Blood Drive on October 17 & 19 from 2:30 to 6:30. The Drive will be held in the Donor Bus, Amana Library/ Elementary, 3023 220th Trail, Middle Amana.

As a special Thank You, all donors will receive a $10 gift card or 500 bonus points to the Impact Donor Store to spend on cool donor gear! Potential donors must be at least 17, weigh more than 110 pounds, and possess a photo ID to donate. Please eat and hydrate before donating. Walk-ins are accepted. Appointments are preferred. Whole Blood and Double Red Cell will be available to donate on both days. To sign up, please contact the Amana Library via email amanalibrary@ccaschools.org or call 319-622-3192 to schedule a time.

OKTOBERFEST PARADE THEME

Get your Parade entries ready. The 2023 Amana Oktoberfest parade theme is: Peace, Love, Polka! We encourage everyone to incorporate the theme in their entries, however all entries are welcome. Registration forms for the Oktoberfest parade are available at the Amana Visitor Center and on the amanacolonies.com Oktoberfest webpage.

Completed registration forms or questions can be emailed to amanaparades@gmail.com.

The parade starts at 10:00 am on Saturday, September 30. Line-up at 9:00 am at the Amana Farms bin site east side of Amana across from Amana Service Company. Prizes in 3 categories; Best Use of Theme, Most Humorous and Judge's Choice.

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FEATHERS IN THE WIND

In our Sunday School room, years ago, there was a picture of a man who was boasting about all that he had done. Beside him was another man, on his knees, begging God's forgiveness and saying, "forgive me, a poor a humble sinner." Clearly, our teacher was trying to teach us a lesson about pride and humility.

Fast forward seventy years and let me tell you about some of the "quiet angels" who walk among us each day and rarely are recognized. Let me tell you about the people who volunteer at schools, and deliver "Meals on Wheels," or prepare food and serve at funerals. How about those people who send cards, write notes, or call people that are sick or confined to their homes?

Does anyone ever thank the lead singers or elders? How about the people serving on non-paying boards who not only meet monthly, but give time to fundraise, decorate, or take part in programs.

Years ago, I asked my boss about writing a tribute to one of our volunteers. This woman never refused to help us even when we had programs, but she did so much more. She listened, served on committees and helped in many ways and has

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AMANA NEWS AND NOTES

Hawks For the Win at Safe Haven

Safe Haven in South Amana has been feeling the love from the Iowa Hawkeyes with more than 90 members of the Hawkeye football team combining for 975 hours of community service this summer at Safe Haven.

Safe Haven volunteer coordinator Courtney Ralph reached out via social media to invite a few players to promote the animal shelter asking them to "Come visit, meet some of our animals and take photos and share the experience with the community. . ."

According to defensive end, 6-year veteran Joe Evans puppy fever took hold and pretty soon there were groups of players coming out to Safe Haven regularly. "it ended up everyone going to Safe Haven and having a great time." He explained to journalist Jack Bacon, who wrote a piece for Hawkeyesports.com called "The Dog Days of Summer."

To read the full account, which is heart-warming, go to hawkeyesports.com and search for "Dogs Days."

As the article reports, this became a popular and relaxing way for players to get away from the stress and pressure of training while assisting their team to earn points as part of the Hawkeye sports programs "Championship Teams." Championship Teams promotes community volunteer service by encouraging all U of I athletes to volunteer.

Players came multiple times in groups large and small. "I was out at Safe Haven 12 times this summer," said Kaleb Johnson. "I would go out for an hour or two each time. We would take the dogs out, feed them, play with them and show love to them."

They completed some big tasks too, like moving a huge pile of rock that had been left after fence and building construction. Some players made extra time for the cats and kittens, including kicker Drew Stevens and defensive back Jermari Harris. Harris ended up adopting a cat whom he calls his good friend, "It was love at first sight. . ."

Harris said that between the relaxing, rural drive to South Amana and spending time with the animals, Safe Haven became an aptly named getaway for the Hawkeyes. "It was fun, and I also love the drive," said Harris. "It is just 30 minutes west of here, so I can get my head away from things and go visit the animals. I met new friends and Courtney Ralph is an amazing person. She reached out to me and got me interested. Once I got into the building, it was fun from there on."

Welcome to Amana - Ice Cream Social Sunday

Don't forget the Welcome Neighbor Ice Cream Social is at the Middle Amana Park, indoors, 6:30 – 8:30 p.m. Sunday. All are welcome to come partake of some ice cream goodness. A special invitation is extended to our new residents and to folks who've moved here in the last few years. We'll have door prizes and brief welcoming remarks at 7 p.m.

Amana Colony Folksingers and DTKK Performing in Des Moines

The Des Moines Oktoberfest is this weekend at Water Works Park. The Amana Colonies Folksingers will be singing and dancing there on Saturday, Sept. 23 at 5:45 p.m.

Water Works Park is a new venue for this event which started in the streets of downtown Des Moines. It's located at 2551 George Flagg Parkway. Admission is $35.

This year the state capitol event has boosted our favorite Oktoberfest band, Die Tiefen Keller Kinder, who will be at the festival on Friday, Sept. 22 playing at 7:15 p.m.

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IOWA 1855 AMANA MEAT SHOP & SMOKEHOUSE

Seasonal Associates needed!

Do you want to work in a friendly & fast paced environment with fun coworkers, while making extra money for the holidays? If so, the ***Amana Meat Shop*** is the place for you!

Seasonal Production Associates assemble and package gift boxes and prepare them for shipping throughout November and December.

Customer Service Associates assist customers with their phone orders and perform data entry work. Basic computer knowledge is required & good typing, spelling and grammar skills are essential.

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Saturday, Sept 30
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in Amana (Eastside doors) 8 - 9 am
Pancakes, Fruit, Sausage,
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Your free will cash donation will be given to the Amana Colonies Food Pantry.

Oktoberfest Saturday - Pre Parade!

WANT TO BUY

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that is valuable.

So, the next time you see a parade thank the people who clean up afterwards. When there is something on "Facebook" promoting a good cause thank the person who took the time to take the picture and post it. When there is a picnic take the time to thank the people who made the food and served it. Look behind the people who are making the speeches and getting the glory, but instead look to those who do things who do things out of love and loyalty – they are the ones who are the backbone.

BSH

Charlie's Final Saturday Market of the Season. 10:00 A.M. - Noon Sept 23
Plants, Produce, Cookies

BAKERY WITH COMMUNAL ROOTS TO CLOSE DOORS

It's official, Doris Hahn will retire after her last New Year's pretzel is picked up on December 31, 2023. She has already taken orders.

The stone hearth bakery in Middle is a throwback from Communal Middle Amana and continued to operate after the 1932 change under the ownership of Carl Hahn, who in turn passed it on to his son Jack and daughter-in-law Doris. We will all be poorer for the loss this legacy business.

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SERVICES

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FREE FAMILY MOVIE!
Running the Bases
Sunday, Sept. 24, 2023, 4:00PM
Amana Performing Arts Center
This faith-based movie is a family-friendly watch that's packed with positive messages. "Running the Bases" is also sure to capture baseball lovers' attention with its realistic portrayal of the sport. The plot sparks laughter, tears, and a feeling of sentimentality. **Rated PG**
Invite your friends! All welcome! **Amana Area Fellowship**
www.amanaareafellowship.org Also find us on Facebook

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OBITUARY

Harriet June (Hegewald) Bierman, Age 90, of Cedar Rapids, IA, passed away at the West Ridge Care Center on Wednesday, September 13, 2023, surrounded by her loving family.

A service was held at the Cedar Memorial Park Chapel of Memories on Monday, September 18, 2023, at 3 PM with Pastor Mike Townsley officiating. Interment followed at the Cedar Memorial Park Cemetery-Mt. Moriah.

Harriet was born on June 4, 1933, in Middle Amana, Iowa. She was the daughter of Otto and Louise (Muesse) Hegewald. She married the love of her life, Kenneth H. Bierman. She worked at the Colony Inn, the Brick Haus, and the Ronneburg for over 65 years. Along with her job, Harriet loved to volunteer at nursing homes in both Middle Amana, and Cedar Rapids. Harriet I loved doing puzzles, crocheting, and reading the Gazette with her morning coffee.

Harriet had a heart of gold. She had a caring compassionate nature, loving all people and animals. She wanted to help everybody, especially her children and she had a special place in her heart for her grandchildren. One of her favorite things to do was to buy things from the children selling popcorn, cookies, and/or fruit boxes.

Those left to cherish Harriet's memory are her children, Elaine (Bob) Sample, of Cedar Rapids, IA, Diane Jeck, of Walford, IA, and Linda Zapata, of Cedar Rapids, IA; her grandchildren, Jeremy (Jessica) Jeck, Jason Jeck, Jennifer Jeck, Shawn (Amanda) Zapata, and Aaron (Jessica) Zapata; her great-grandchildren. Elizabeth (Jason), Isabella, Brenden, Faith, Christian, Issiah, and Kai.

She was preceded in death by her husband Kenneth Bierman, her parents, her brother Willard (Joanne) Hegewald, and her in-laws, Harold and Bertha Bierman.

Memorial contributions may be made in her name to Safe Haven.

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Oktoberfest!
Bratwurst Kick Off Party Friday at the Museum
Pancake Breakfast Pre Parade on Saturday

How to get your free Oktoberfest bratwurst and other news, so read below.

Oktoberfest is just around the corner, next weekend, Sept. 29 – Oct. 1. This year we've got both favorites, Die Alten Kameraden and Alpensterne performing in the Festhalle. Also performing the University of Iowa Collegiam Tubum, the Ivanhoe Dutchmen, Die Tiefen Keller Kinder and the Colony Folksingers.

Friday the Festhalle opens at 11:30 a.m. but the Friday evening entertainment schedule has been changed for the Festhalle acts. Next week we'll have that Friday evening schedule in full. Remember to that coming to the Oktoberfest Festhalle helps support all festivals and special events in the Amana Colonies as well as those volunteers who are working hard to bring these events to the community and greater Iowa. The

The official Oktoberfest keg tapping ceremony takes place starting at 11 a.m. And hey, here's tasty news – they will be serving free brats! Yes, your first festival bratwurst is free at the Amana Heritage Museum on Friday beginning at 11 a.m. while supplies last! Stay to enjoy lunch then join the keg parade at 1:45. Hops and Hotrods will be serving cold beer, wine and beverages. You can purchase your Friday Oktoberfest Festhalle entry ticket at the museum (and receive a beer from the official first keg. The ceremony begins at the Museum then processes down Main Street to the Festival where the Amana Burgermeister and his entourage will officially open Amana Oktoberfest 2023.

So with a raised glass and an Amana bratwurst so begins our autumn festival which has grown to become one of the largest in the country and certainly the largest Oktoberfest in Iowa.

See Amana Colonies.com or Amana Colonies festivals.com to buy tickets online. The events brochure is available in retail stores and at the Amana Colonies Visitor Center.

Another weekend highlight – the Pancakes for the Pantry Pre Parade Breakfast is back at the Amana Church in Amana on Saturday, Sept. 30 from 8 – 9 a.m. in the fellowship hall at the church. The Amana Church volunteers will be serving pancakes, fruit, sausage, coffee, juice, etc. Your cash donation will help the Amana Colonies Food Pantry buy food this fall and with colder weather coming up the need is real. Of course, you may eat in or carry out. The coffee will be on and you can stop by to say hi and make your donation as you head to the parade.

As in years past there will be Oktoberfest games of skill. Now is the hour to practice your yodeling because Friday night is the 2nd annual ACO Yodeling Contest 6:30 p.m. in the Festhalle, just before the Amana Colony Folksingers perform. All participants will receive food/ drink tickets. Plus the winner gets a prize. Yodel to your heart's content to receive free food/bev.

At the Market barn on Saturday they will be serving beer and beverages and competing for fun and fame. On Saturday only you can toss pretzels, 12:45; toss kegs and logs 2- 4 p.m.; drive nails 2- 4 p.m. – these games are free to enter/ compete.

"THE ACLUD CORNER"

Did You Know?....

I don't know of a place that has more festivals than the Amana Colonies! And with the festivals come the various signage detailing the who, what and where. But I find many merchants are confused about what they can and cannot do regarding Temporary Special Event Signs. In the near future I will be creating a Summary Sheet detailing the parameters for these signs (including some go/no go examples). But here are some general rules:

- Special Event Signs can only be UP seven days before an event and taken DOWN within two days after an event.
- Yes there is an application form (and fee) associated with special event signs. This is the best way to determine (early on) that you are doing the right thing. See your friendly Administrator.

Ultimately this is all about growing commerce in the Amana Colonies (we all want that). So it is important that all the merchants understand the rules uniformly.

For further information regarding your local government visit our website www.aclud.org or call the office in Amana at 319-622-3840

Please remember, BoT election is October 3.

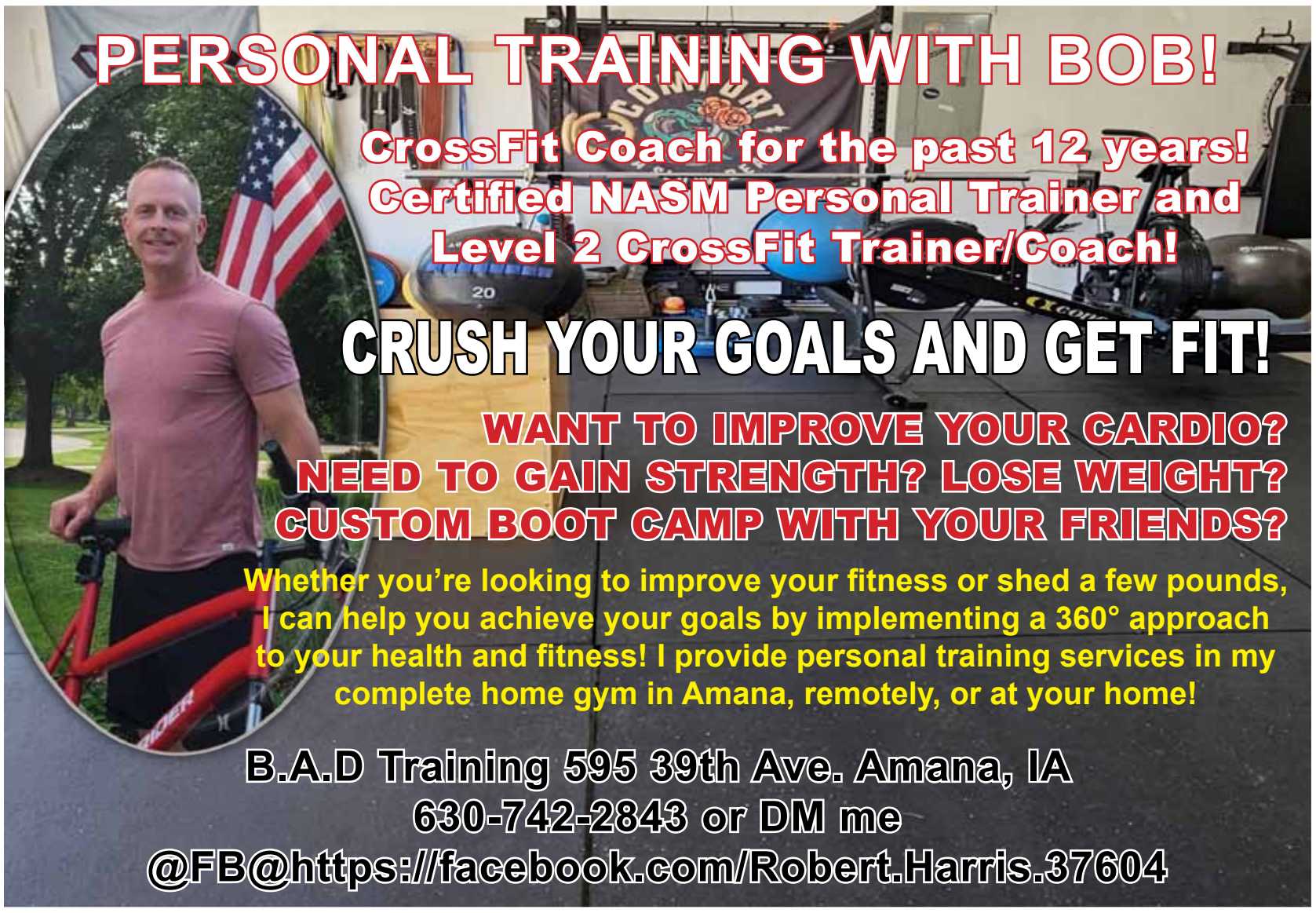
CLOVER RIDGE FALL DINNER

The Clover Ridge United methodist church in Walford is having their fall dinner and silent auction on Saturday Sept. 30 from 5:00 - 7:00 PM.

The menu includes: Amana Ham, turkey, party potatoes, green beans, rolls, salads and deserts. A free will offering will be graciously accepted.

(Since it's Oktoberfest, you can get some brats for lunch and let us cook you a full meal for dinner)

Questions? Call Ruth Phelps at 319-350-7277



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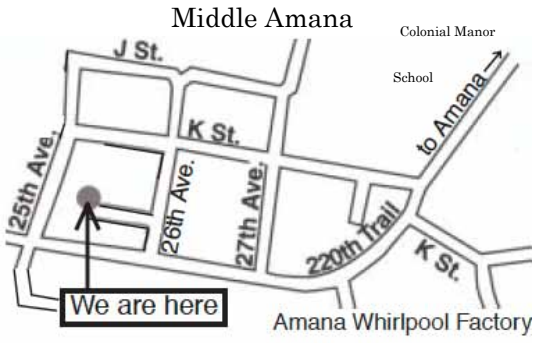

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